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Memorandum of Conversation

DATE: 7 August 1958

Place: [] car
along the Tidal Basin

Time: 16:00-16:15 hrs

SUBJECT : Churgin's letters to the Editor

~~and [] wife's identity insurance~~

PARTICIPANTS:

Churgin, [] []

COPIES TO : none

a) Discussed with [] Churgin the letters which he intended to send to the Editor, as his comments on ~~Churgin's~~ Moscow's reply to Ike's letter. Churgin was informed that it was [] understanding that he should not get involved in any more letter writing to the Editor's Columns, however [] had agreed to read over the two articles which Churgin had written. Churgin was told not get involved in any more of these articles writing campaigns, organization of demonstrations, or telling or writing to his friends about his proposed assignment to Europe etc. It was stressed to him again that he should be more careful in his dealings with people and things, and he was told that staff personnel can't join any organizations, write articles or make any speeches without any prior approval and that in general the order is not to get involved in any of these activities and that the same thing applies to Churgin as well. Upon this Churgin mentioned again that nothing like this has been stated in his contract and that if this is the case he should have been "locked up". Upon this [] replied (smiling), that this is probably so and that the key should have been thrown away. Churgin was told the above mentioned instructions are Standing Orders as of now, even if he has not been ~~asked~~ explained this in detail before, or has not understood it before. Churgin was told that [] will give ~~him~~ both of the copies to [] for proofreading and that [] will call Churgin at home to tell him if it is O.K. to send the articles to the paper. Upon this Churgin indicated that he has to send this articles to the newspapers by 8:00 pm tonight and in the tone of the voice this was told Churgin indicated that he has his mind set to send the articles any way, although he said that he did not see any reason why his wife could not send it on her maiden name etc. [] saw that it would be just waste of time to go in any more discussion about the article [] stated that he is busy and that has to rush back to office to attend to more important matters and that Churgin will be told by phone what to do or not to do. I may add that the meeting was short and to the point and that no pleasantries were exchanged due to the nature of the discussion. [] was somewhat annoyed because of Ch. persistence.

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Ch. was called at 19:30 and told not to get involved in these activities and that if other people do this it is none of our business (11-23-36)

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Re your editorial "The Frustrated Summit" (Aug. 6): are you already paving the way for "recognition of Soviet interests" in the Near East? Just how far can you go in willingness "to understand Soviet security concerns along its borders"? - These concerns did not make halt at the borders of Poland and Finland (1939), Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania (1940), Czechoslovakia (1948), Korea (1950) etc. etc. Where will our appeasement stop - at the borders of Washington, D.C.?

Summit meetings of the Big Three during and after WW II "to reach a mutual interest accommodation" should have served as eyeopeners for all of us that the chances of a new war cannot be minimized by ^{our} concessions since we have to deal with imperialistic gangsters. In their eyes every concession made by us is only an unmistakable sign of weakness; it inevitably invites further Soviet aggression. Beware us from a new American initiative in this direction by "practicable means" as implied in your editorial! Should our means facilitate the goal of our deadly enemy's dreams of world domination?

Not faint-heartedness but courage and determination are the imperatives of this hour. This stand alone will lead Mr. Khrushchev to believe that aggression - direct as well as indirect - does not pay anymore.

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Washington

CHARGES RECEIVED REPLY TO WASHINGTON POST
6 AUGUST 1958 EDITORIAL "THE FRUSTRATED
TFR SUMMIT

Khrushchev - the Liberator of the Colonizer ?

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In his latest letter to President Eisenhower on August 5 Khrushchev has indeed already reached the summit - in duplicity and hypocrisy. He declares solemnly: " The people of Eastern Europe have freely elected this present way of life and will not allow anyone to change it ".

I myself witnessed in 1940 how "freely" one of the Eastern European nations, the Latvians, had to elect this present way of poverty and oppression - ~~we~~^{they} were forced to go to the ballots by the foreign bayonets of the Soviet colonizers. Besides, these elections of the one-party, rubber-stamp parliament were unlawful since they circumvented the people's referendum which by the Constitution of Latvian Republic had to precede such drastic changes of the constitution as imposed by the Soviets. Obviously the Kremlin was afraid of the Latvian people's will as it is still today. If Khrushchev now preaches " the right of the people to adopt independent decisions and to establish a state regime which responds to their interests ", he should show his good will by taking away the Soviet bayonets from the Latvian soil, let a group of U.N. observers enter this subjugated country and report objectively about the Soviet "practice" and its results of colonialism which show no end there.

Another Khrushchev's "summit" of the Big Lie: " Aggression by a small country against a large power is in general impossible ". But just the opposite assertion was used as a pretext of the invasion of three small countries, Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania, in June, 1940 - they allegedly had prepared military aggression against the U.S.S.R. Was not Khrushchev himself a Politbureau member who decided this direct aggression at that time ? Has he changed his mind now ? It would be interesting to know whether he was cheating then or is lying now.

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CHURCHIN'S SUGGESTED REPLY TO
WASHINGTON POST AND TIMES HERALD
AUGUST 1951 EDITORIAL KHRUSHCHEV'S
LETTER TO EISENHOWER